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To: Johnson, Sarah Ball (SBE)
Cc: [REDACTED] cortes@eac.gov
Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06

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Thanks, again!

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"Tova Wang"

04/21/2006 11:19 AM

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To "Johnson, Sarah Ball (SBE)"

<SarahBall.Johnson@ky.gov>@GSAEXTERNAL

cc

Subject RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06



Sarah:

Thank you. I have not reviewed this myself, so I really appreciate the link. Professor Campbell was among the people interviewed by our consultants.

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"Johnson, Sarah Ball (SBE)"
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To psims@eac.gov

cc

04/18/2006 04:02 PM

Subject RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06

Peggy,

I am attaching a link to a recent book published by a Kentucky History Professor, Tracy Campbell, which details voter fraud on state and national level. It is very interesting reading.

http://www.amazon.com/gp/product/078671591X/sr=8-1/qid=1145390029/ref=pd_bbs_1/103-8923253-6647806?%5Fencoding=UTF8

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04/17/2006 12:37 PM

To Job Serebrov, Tova Andrea Wang

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Subject Conference Call This Afternoon

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04/19/2006 03:31 PM

To "Job Serebrov" <[\[redacted\]](#)> "Tova Andrea Wang" <[\[redacted\]](#)>

cc

Subject Recent email from Aletha Barrington

Please ignore the message sent to you today by Aletha Barrington. It was sent in error. As COR for this project, I remain your primary contact. Thanks.
Peggy

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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"Tova Wang"

04/21/2006 12:16 PM

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To Edgardo Cortes/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc Bola Olu/EAC/GOV@EAC, Devon E.

Romig/EAC/GOV@EAC, Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06



I have just forwarded to you the Feb 3 email I sent to EAC Staff.

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dscott@eac.gov

Edgardo Cortes/EAC/GOV

Edgardo Cortes/EAC/GOV

002006

04/18/2006 10:13 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC, Diana
Scott/EAC/GOV@EAC, Bola Olu/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Teleconference 4-19-06

What is the contact info for our conference call provider in case we run into trouble at the start of the call? Nicole used to handle conference calls and I am not sure who I would speak to in that instance. Please let me know. Thanks.

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To sarahball.johnson@ky.gov
cc [REDACTED] ecortes@eac.gov
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To psims@eac.gov

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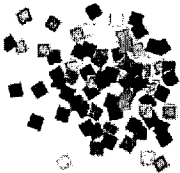
Subject Re: Conference Call This Afternoon

Yes but it needs to go no longer then 30 mins

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

04/19/2006 03:44 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Re: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Yes, she is the assistant to David A. Norcross and she is unavailable until Monday. I spoke with the woman who is filling in for her this week and she does not have access to Mr. Norcross's schedule.

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

04/19/2006 03:27 PM

To Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Re: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Was this message sent to someone's assistant? We have noone named Rivers on our working group.
Peggy

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Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld
Devon E. Romig

From: Devon E. Romig
Sent: 04/19/2006 12:24 PM
To: Rivers@BlankRome.com
Cc: Margaret Sims
Subject: Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group

Ms. Rivers,

My name is Devon Romig and I am writing to you on behalf of the Election Assistance Commission. I believe that you have been contacted previously by our consultant Job Serebrov about the Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation Project Working Group that we are organizing.

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Feel free to call or email me with any questions.

Thanks!

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"Tova Wang"

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Subject RE: Conference Call This Afternoon

yes

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04/21/2006 11:18 AM

To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov"
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"Tova Wang"

04/21/2006 11:14 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc "Job Serebrov"
Subject nexis article charts and overview/analysis

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To Diana Scott

cc

Subject Teleconference Requested

Diana:

This is just to let you know that I have requested a teleconference on Wednesday, April 19, from 11 AM to Noon EST. I asked for 6 lines to accommodate our research consultants and the folks that they will be interviewing for our Voting Fraud/Voter Intimidation project.

Peggy Sims

Election Research Specialist

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To psims@eac.gov

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Subject RE: Interviews

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Noon EST

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From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Monday, April 17, 2006 10:49 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Interviews

I know you preferred Friday, but Job is not available then. He also said he is not available next week. Do you have any time available this Wednesday? --- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

04/17/2006 11:06 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Follow up Donsanto and KY Interviews

I can't do it Friday but Wednesday is ok.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Tova and Job:

>

> I've passed Tova's request on to Craig.

>

> Also, Sarah Ball Johnson, KY, finally called back

> to say she would be

> available Wednesday through Friday this week and

> next week for the

> interview. Which day and time is best for you and

> Job?

>

> --- Peggy

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> 04/16/2006 11:39 AM

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> To

> psims@eac.gov

> cc

> "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

002016

> Subject
> donsanto again
>
>
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>
>
> Hi Peg,
>
> Happy Easter!
>
> Would it be possible to talk to Mr. Donsanto about
> this latest initiative,
> or somehow get more information? Thanks. Tova
>
>
<http://www.fbi.gov/page2/april06/electioncrime041406.htm>
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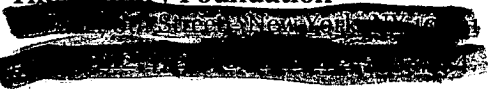
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To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

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Subject interview analysis

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"Donsanto, Craig"
<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

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To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

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ballt conference for AUSAs. She send her best!

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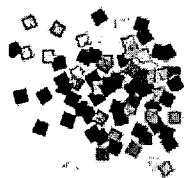
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Sent: Wed May 03 11:39:50 2006
Subject: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 09:54 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Court reporter

Peggy,

I spoke to the people who usually handle the EAC court reporting. They charge \$9.00 per page with an average of 40 pages per hour. This service would cost about \$1800.00.

The turn around time for the transcript is 10 to 15 days. The transcripts comes in a bound paper copy and an electronic copy.

I can also check around for different prices.

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05/05/2006 09:17 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

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Subject hotels

Literally, there is not a hotel room to be found in the district on these dates. The only thing I could find was a room for \$379 a night. I have booked it and will assume that since we are so under-budget on travel that this will be OK

----- Original Message -----

From: psims@eac.gov

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: dromig@eac.gov

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 2:32 PM

Subject: Working Group

Hi, Folks:

Teleconference

Are both of you available for a teleconference next Tuesday afternoon at about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you, please suggest another date and/or time. I would like to discuss our preparations for the Working Group meeting.

Working Group Members

We have a very good person to fill the slot for the nonpartisan local election official: J.R. Perez, Elections Administrator for Guadalupe County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have no objections to him. He is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to Pat Rogers office, but have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have any pull with him, you may want to contact him, too.

Travel Arrangements

You should make your own travel arrangements, including hotel. Travel time cannot be billed to the contract, except for hours actually worked on the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in preparation for the meeting, and the like). Current Federal rates follow:

Maximum Lodging = \$180 per day- does not include hotel taxes (if you cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable rates that are a little higher)

Meals & Incidentals = \$64 per day (except that it is \$48 on the first and last day of travel)

Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = \$.445 per mile

Under the new contract, I do not have to fill out a travel authorization for you. I can approve your trip via email. Afterwards, when you turn in your next pay voucher, you can attach the airline receipt (or mileage documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground transportation receipts and a copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the total travel expenses due you, including applicable per diem. I do not need meal receipts.

Job, under Federal travel regulations, deviations for personal reasons are not normally accommodated. What you can do, however, is to give me a comparison of the cost of roundtrip mileage, hotel, and per diem of doing it your way against the cost of a roundtrip flight, ground transportation, hotel, and per diem. If your way costs less, it should be no problem to cover the full cost. If your way is more expensive, we may only pay up to the amount of traditional travel. (The same rules apply to me when I travel.) If you can tell me where, other than DC, you will spend the night, I can check on applicable per diem rates.

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Peggy

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 02:36 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

cc

Subject Re: Court Case Charts

OK, I will include all on the CD. Thanks. ---- Peggy

"Job Serebrov"



"Job Serebrov"

05/11/2006 12:09 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Court Case Charts

All. They are not duplicates. There are some cases repeated and some not. It is a slight variant of the word search.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Job
> In preparing the CDs, we have run across the
> following files that appear
> to be duplicates. Which ones should go on the CD?
> --- Peggy
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"Tova Wang"

05/11/2006 12:06 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc dromig@eac.gov

Subject list of interviewees

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"Donsanto, Craig"
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05/05/2006 12:56 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: Please remind me of time and place for Voter
Intimidation project meeting

Thank you, Peg - - see you then.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 12:53 PM

To: Donsanto, Craig

Subject: RE: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project meeting

The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 18, 1- 5:30 PM (though we may finish earlier). It will be held in EAC's large conference room (the one we use for public meetings, located off our lobby). --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/05/2006 12:43 PM

Topsims@eac.gov

cc

Subject: RE: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project
meeting

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If you tell me now I will put it into my calendar here, which in turn will remind me!

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Friday, May 05, 2006 12:42 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: Re: Please remind me of time and place for Voter Intimidation project meeting

How many days in advance do you need the reminder? --- Peggy
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/04/2006 02:07 PM

To Paul DeGregorio, Ray Martinez, Donetta Davidson, Gracia Hillman
cc twilkey@eac.gov, jthompson@eac.gov, Gavin S. Gilmour/EAC/GOV@EAC, Amie J. Sherrill/EAC/GOV@EAC, Adam Ambrogi/EAC/GOV@EAC, Elieen L. Collver/EAC/GOV@EAC, Sheila A. Banks/EAC/GOV@EAC, bbenavides@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group Meeting

Dear Commissioners:

This is to let you know that the Working Group for our Voting Fraud and Voter Intimidation preliminary research project is scheduled to meet in EAC's large conference room the afternoon of Thursday, May 18. I will provide more information about this meeting to you later.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
05/09/2006 11:19 AM

To Devon Romig
cc
Subject May 18 Meeting


Did Barbara Arnwine's office indicate who they propose to send in her place? --- Peggy
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"Job Serebrov"
[REDACTED]
05/10/2006 02:35 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Latham

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The Latham is booked solid. I called. I am checking out some possibilities but this is not looking good.


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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/10/2006 03:20 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

cc

Subject Re: Latham 

One sources suggests the Georgetown Inn has vacancies and pillow top beds. Try 1-800-424-2979 or 202-353-8900.

"Job Serebrov" 

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 10:06 AM

To Tova Andrea Wang, Job Serebrov

cc

Subject Today's Teleconference

I assume that we are still on for today's teleconference at 11 AM EST. I will call you. I have attached a draft agenda for your review and comment. --- Peggy



Agenda 5-18-06 Mtg-draft.doc

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"Job Serebrov"

05/12/2006 12:52 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

cc

Subject Re: Fraud Definition

This is ok, given the fact that the WG may have suggestions. Will you be sending us the same packets that you are sending the WG? Also, I figure with Tova's response we will need to have a teleconference on the report once I return to Little Rock. We will need to do it that following Monday or Tuesday.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Would you please take a look at the attached? I
> combined both of your
> definitions, reformatted the list, removed a
> reference to the fraud having
> to have an actual impact on the election results
> (because fraud can be
> prosecuted without proving that it actually changed
> the results of the
> election), and taken out a couple of vague examples
> (e.g.; reference to
> failing to enforce state laws --- because there may
> be legitimate reasons
> for not doing so).
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> I have made contact with Ben Ginsberg's office and
> am waiting to hear if
> he accepts our invitation to join the working group.
> --- Peggy
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"Job Serebrov"

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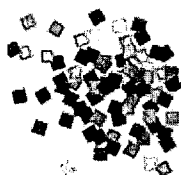
Subject Re: Dinner

Yes. My wife is a vegetarian and I can't eat wheat products and don't eat pork. Non-toxic Oriental seems to always work. I did not cc Tova on this until I received your reaction. You probably want to include

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Tova on replies to this e-mail.

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/09/2006 11:12 AM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject Fw: May 18th Meeting at EAC

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"Marvin Brokaw"

<marvin.brokaw@adtrav.com

>

To dromig@eac.gov

cc

05/09/2006 11:04 AM

Subject RE: May 18th Meeting at EAC

Hi Devon:

We have heard from Mark Hearne and Todd Rokita. They are both flying in and out on the 18th and will not need hotel rooms. We're kind of waiting to see if Perez and Rogers need rooms before booking any hotel. As soon as we get approval of Hearne and Rokita air schedules and get them booked, we'll forward their itineraries to you.

Kind Regards,
Marvin

-----Original Message-----

From: dromig@eac.gov [mailto:dromig@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2006 8:31 AM

To: marvin.brokaw@adtrav.com

Cc: psims@eac.gov

Subject: May 18th Meeting at EAC

Hello Marvin,

I just wanted to follow up with the voicemail message that I left for you yesterday. We will be holding a meeting at our offices in Washington DC on May 18, 2006. I have informed the out of state attendees to contact you for their travel arrangements.

We have been authorized to pay for the attendees airfare and hotel arrangements. Please note

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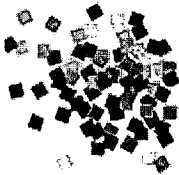
that all of the participants are authorized for a two night hotel room stay, as long as the dates are May 17th and 18th.

I attached the list of the meeting participants that will be contacting you about their travel arrangements for the May 18th meeting in Washington DC.
Let me know if you have any questions for me or if you need any more information from me.

Thanks for your help!

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

05/03/2006 03:23 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

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Subject David Norcross

Peggy,

I just spoke to Mr. Norcross's assistant, he cannot attend the meeting on the 18th, he will be out of town at another event.

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"Donsanto, Craig"

<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov

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To psims@eac.gov

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05/04/2006 06:08 PM

Subject Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Peggy -- they don't have anything to do with the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights do they?

I ask only because the Justice Department is currently engaged in a very acrimoneous FOIA litigation with LCCR that focuses precisely on our efforts to combat voter "intimidationm"

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Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>
To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>
Sent: Thu May 04 17:20:39 2006
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

It is just the Working Group for the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project.
I am asking you to attend as Technical Advisor for the project. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/04/2006 03:26 PM

To

psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject

RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Peg - - what is the name of the group?

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 3:13 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Craig:

This meeting is being held to obtain input from our eight-member Working Group for the project. The group is composed of election lawyers, election officials, and a representative of an advocacy group, all of whom have an interest and some expertise in the identification and/or prosecution of voting fraud and voter intimidation. The group was chosen so that we would have an equal number of folks on each side of the political spectrum, plus some nonpartisan members.

After our consultants review the results of their preliminary research (interviews, literature review, case law), we will ask the Working Group to brainstorm possible next steps for EAC. Our consultants will write a report summarizing the proposals that come out of this meeting. The report will go to the Commissioners, who will decide what they want to do, funds available, and what priority to assigned to the effort(s).

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Your participation in this part of the process is extremely important, so I am very happy that you can find time for us that afternoon. I'll get an agenda and other information to you next week. --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/04/2006 02:32 PM

To
cc
Subject

psims@eac.gov

RE: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Okay, Peg - - I will mark off the entire afternoon and try to be there. What is the agenda? I was not aware that this was anything beyond having your contractors spend another session with me. Also, if they will be needing stats and stuff like that I need to know as I will bring my state-people with me.

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 04, 2006 2:28 PM
To: Donsanto, Craig
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Right now, we are planning to meet in EAC's large conference room between 1 PM and 5 PM. If you cannot be there for the whole afternoon, we will appreciate whatever time you can spare. I'll get back to you with more information (agenda, list of Working Group members, etc.). --- Peggy

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 05:59 PM

To
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psims@eac.gov

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Subject

Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Afternoon of May 18 -- 2:30 okay? How long will they need??

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-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>

To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>

Sent: Wed May 03 16:59:09 2006

Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

I am looking at the afternoon of 5/18 for the meeting, due to scheduling conflicts of Working Group members. There remain two members from whom we have not yet received confirmations of their schedule (with some, it is like pulling teeth), but right now 5/18 still looks like the best day. We may have to hold the meeting over here to make it easier for Commissioners to drop in.

--- Peg

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 12:53 PM .

To

psims@eac.gov

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Subject

Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

Okay -- you are on for May 18th! Can we do it over here at 10?

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

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-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov <psims@eac.gov>
To: Donsanto, Craig <Craig.Donsanto@crm.usdoj.gov>
Sent: Wed May 03 12:40:19 2006
Subject: Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

My problem is that agency staff is booked most of the week of 5/21. Monday through Wednesday are taken up with meetings of the Standards Board Executive Committee, the full Standards Board, and the Board of Advisors. Thursday, we have EAC's public meeting. Also, I will lose one of my two consultants in June, so I'm trying to wrap up this project (and get the final report from the consultants) by the end of May.

Say "Hi" to Cameron for me.

"Donsanto, Craig" <Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

05/03/2006 11:56 AM

To

psims@eac.gov

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Re: Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation

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"Job Serebrov"

05/11/2006 04:39 PM

To psims@eac.gov

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Subject Re: new working group representative

On another note entirely, since traffic will be bad going to Roanoke, do you want to have a dinner meeting with Tova and me after the group meeting to discuss the final report? As long as we are out by 7or so I am ok with it. Also, my wife would have to be there as she will be meeting me after the WG.

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> The effort is likely
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> "Job Serebrov"
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> To
> psims@eac.gov
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> Re: new working group representative
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> I really don't care if he represents the
> organization
> or not. What mixed race? The entire discussion was
> because Arnwine was African-American. If you are
> going
> to invite him without first having a replacement for
> my side, I may have to call Thor and Todd and
> discuss
> all of this.
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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
>
> > Greenbaum is representing Arnwine, not replacing
> > her. He works for her
> > organization and is of mixed race. --- Peggy
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> >
> > "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> > 05/11/2006 03:36 PM
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> > To
> > "Tova Wang" [REDACTED], psims@eac.gov
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> > I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I realize
> > he
> > comes from an advocacy group, he is not a minority
> > attorney and we already have a rep who worked with
> > DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather not
> > fill
> > that position since I am one down.
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> > --- Tova Wang [REDACTED] wrote:
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> > > is Jon Greenbaum
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> > > Here' s his info in full:
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> > > He is the Director of the Voting Rights Project
> > for

> > > the Lawyers Committee

> > > for Civil Rights. He will be representing

> Barbara

> > > Arnwine, the Executive

> > > Director of the Lawyers Committee.

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> > > His contact and mailing info is:

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> > > Washington, DC 20005

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> > > Tova Andrea Wang

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 04:46 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

<[REDACTED]> Tova Andrea Wang

cc

Subject Re: new working group representative

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Dinner sounds like a great idea. Do either of you have any dietary restrictions or preferences? (I seem to recall that Tova would prefer a place that has vegetarian options). I'll try to locate a nearby place that won't bust the budget. --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]>



"Job Serebrov"

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> Re: new working group representative
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> I really don't care if he represents the
> organization
> or not. What mixed race? The entire discussion was
> because Arnwine was African-American. If you are
> going
> to invite him without first having a replacement for
> my side, I may have to call Thor and Todd and
> discuss
> all of this.
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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> > Greenbaum is representing Arnwine, not replacing
> > her. He works for her
> > organization and is of mixed race. --- Peggy
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> > "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> > 05/11/2006 03:36 PM
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> > To
> > "Tova Wang" [REDACTED] psims@eac.gov
> > cc
> > [REDACTED]
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> > Re: new working group representative
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> > I have an objection to Greenbaum. While I realize
> > he
> > comes from an advocacy group, he is not a minority
> > attorney and we already have a rep who worked with
> > DOJ. If it is to be Greenbaum, I would rather not
> > fill
> > that position since I am one down.
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> > --- Tova Wang [REDACTED] wrote:
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> > > is Jon Greenbaum
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> > > Here' s his info in full:

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> > > He is the Director of the Voting Rights Project
> > for

> > > the Lawyers Committee

> > > for Civil Rights. He will be representing

> Barbara

> > > Arnwine, the Executive

> > > Director of the Lawyers Committee.

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> > > His contact and mailing info is:

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"Tova Wang"

05/09/2006 11:45 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

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Subject RE: Case Summaries

yes

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, May 09, 2006 10:38 AM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Fw: Case Summaries

Had you seen this? --- Peggy

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"Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

05/08/2006 09:30 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Case Summaries

Peggy:

Please add this to the packet.

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"Job Serebrov"

[REDACTED]

05/12/2006 03:45 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Good News

I'm thankful it all worked out.

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

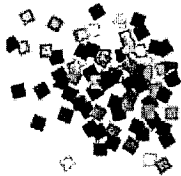
> Ginsberg has accepted our invitation! --- Peggy

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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV



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05/02/2006 11:32 AM

To pegasims1@aol.com, Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc
Subject Barbara Arnwine

Peggy,

I just spoke to Valerie Johnson, Ms. Arnwine's assistant. The following are a list of dates that are possible for her attendance;

8th - PM (2pm to 6pm)
9th - Possible PM
16th - PM (1:30pm - 5:30pm)
17th - All day*
18th - All day*
19th - All day*

*All day availability does not begin until after 9:30 or 10:00 AM

I will update this information on the shared drive.

Thanks,

Devon

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"Job Serebrov"

05/08/2006 10:14 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Re: Working Group

Peggy:

4:00 eastern on Tuesday is fine however, given the financial restrictions that you indicated would be in place for use of my car (I would actually lose money coming to DC) and given the cost of hotels at this time (I can't afford to front these costs and wait for months to be repaid), etc, it would take a miracle for this working group meeting to take place in person. It is looking like the only way it will get done is by teleconference. I also share Tova's concern about the unknown nature of Mr. Perez.

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> Hi, Folks:
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> Teleconference
> Are both of you available for a teleconference next
> Tuesday afternoon at
> about 4 PM EST? If this does not work for you,
> please suggest another
> date and/or time. I would like to discuss our
> preparations for the
> Working Group meeting.
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> Working Group Members
> We have a very good person to fill the slot for the
> nonpartisan local
> election official: J.R. Perez, Elections
> Administrator for Guadalupe
> County, TX. Attached is his bio. Hope you have no
> objections to him. He
> is available on May 18. I have place 2 calls to Pat
> Rogers office, but
> have not yet received a reply. Job, if you have any
> pull with him, you
> may want to contact him, too.
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> Travel Arrangements
> You should make your own travel arrangements,
> including hotel. Travel
> time cannot be billed to the contract, except for
> hours actually worked on
> the contract (i.e.; reviewing materials in
> preparation for the meeting,
> and the like). Current Federal rates follow:
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> Maximum Lodging = \$180 per day- does not include
> hotel taxes (if you
> cannot get this rate, we have covered reasonable
> rates that are a little
> higher)
> Meals & Incidentals = \$64 per day (except that it is
> \$48 on the first and
> last day of travel)
> Mileage for Personally Owned Vehicle = \$.445 per
> mile
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> Under the new contract, I do not have to fill out a
> travel authorization
> for you. I can approve your trip via email.
> Afterwards, when you turn in
> your next pay voucher, you can attach the airline
> receipt (or mileage
> documentation), hotel receipt(s), and ground
> transportation receipts and a
> copy of any printed itineraries. Calculate the
> total travel expenses due
> you, including applicable per diem. I do not need
> meal receipts.
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> Job, under Federal travel regulations, deviations
> for personal reasons are
> not normally accommodated. What you can do,
> however, is to give me a
> comparison of the cost of roundtrip mileage, hotel,
> and per diem of doing

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> it your way against the cost of a roundtrip flight,
> ground transportation,
> hotel, and per diem. If your way costs less, it
> should be no problem to
> cover the full cost. If your way is more expensive,
> we may only pay up to
> the amount of traditional travel. (The same rules
> apply to me when I
> travel.) If you can tell me where, other than DC,
> you will spend the
> night, I can check on applicable per diem rates.
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> Peggy
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

05/11/2006 02:35 PM

To Craig Donsanto

cc

Subject Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Working Group

Craig:

I think we have resolved the issue of Barbara Arnwine's absence from the upcoming meeting by having one of her staff represent her (and her organization). Please review the attached rough summary of DOJ Cases ASAP and let me know if I need to delete reference to the open investigations. Hopefully, we won't have to remove this information as it does not specify the defendants or States involved. --- Peg

Rough Summary of Department of Justice, Public Integrity Section Activities, October 2002-January 2006

Prosecutions and Convictions-- Individuals

Noncitizen voting: 20

Vote buying: 49

Double voting: 12

Registration fraud: 13

Civil Rights: 4

Voter Intimidation: 2

Unclear: 1

Open Investigations (note: a few cases overlap with prosecutions and convictions)

Noncitizen voting: 3

Vote buying: 25

Double voting: 15

Registration fraud: 29

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recommendations

Here are my recommendations with the last one now included. Please let me know about the transcript and when you all want to talk about getting the final report done. Thanks. Tova

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Democracy Fellow
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"Job Serebrov"

06/13/2006 09:10 AM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

cc

Subject Transcripts, Etc.

Peggy:

Any sign of the transcript? Will the other members of the working group get a copy? I have had questions from several about it.

If you want to talk I can do so this Friday at 6 pm your time.

Job

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/08/2006 11:07 AM

To [REDACTED]

cc [REDACTED]

Subject Re: Transcript & Teleconference [REDACTED]

4 PM EST is fine with me, if it works for Job. --- Peggy

[REDACTED]

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06/08/2006 10:10 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc [REDACTED]

Subject Re: Transcript & Teleconference

Can we make it 4 est? I have another meeting at 3.

----- Original Message -----

From: <psims@eac.gov>

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: [REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2006 9:55 AM

Subject: Re: Transcript & Teleconference

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: <psims@eac.gov>

> To: [REDACTED]

> Cc: [REDACTED]

> Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2006 9:35 AM

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06/08/2006 09:42
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psims@eac.gov

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Re: Re:

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To: psims@eac.gov; [REDACTED]
Subject: Transcripts, Etc.

Peggy:

Any sign of the transcript? Will the other members of the working group get a copy? I have had questions from several about it.

If you want to talk I can do so this Friday at 6 pm your time,

Job

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"Tova Wang"

06/09/2006 12:09 PM

To: psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
cc
Subject: gao report

This has information on many of our topics, but they also surveyed jurisdictions on voter reg fraud coming up with a rate of 5%

Elections: The Nation's Evolving Election System as Reflected in the November 2004 General Election. GAO-06-450, June 6.

<http://www.gao.gov/cgi-bin/getrpt?GAO-06-450>

Highlights - <http://www.gao.gov/highlights/d06450high.pdf>

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Joyce Wilson/EAC/GOV

06/07/2006 09:58 AM

To: Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc
Subject: Re: Transcript of 5-18-06 Working Group Meeting [REDACTED]

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Not that I know of. Would it have gone to Bryan possibly? Our public meeting transcripts go to him.

Joyce H. Wilson
Staff Assistant
US Election Assistance Commission
202-566-3100 (office)
202-566-3128 (fax)

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
06/09/2006 04:50 PM

To "Job Serebrov"
cc [REDACTED]
Subject Re: Travel & Transcripts

Our Financial Officer accepted my arguments. You should receive a travel reimbursement totalling \$1,200.03. GSA will reimburse through electronic funds transfer. I don't usually receive notification when our consultants are reimbursed.

I still have no transcripts. --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]



"Job Serebrov"
[REDACTED]
06/08/2006 10:42 PM

To psims@eac.gov [REDACTED]
cc
Subject Re: Transcript & Teleconference

Peggy:

I can't predict when I get home but it is between 5:30 and 6:30 my time. I know that is generally too late to have a teleconference.

I plan to review Tova's recommendations this weekend and work on my own as well as expanding the explanation of the case section.

Please see what your financial officer did with regards to my travel.

Thank you,

Job

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

> What time do you arrive home from work? Perhaps we

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> could talk then?
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> Re your question on the mileage, I have approached
> our Financial Officer
> with a request that you receive full reimbursement
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> your actual total travel costs are less than the
> estimated total travel
> costs if you had flown to DC, stayed in our more
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> received the higher per diem for 3 days (instead of
> 1). I have not yet
> received a response from her and she has been out of
> the office much of
> this week, so I don't know what she decided to do.
> --- Peggy

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> time during the work day for telephone conferences.
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> daily working hours. I am still getting things done
> from being out for ten days. I will review Tova's
> recommendations and expand on mine this weekend.
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> Also, I sent you an e-mail asking how you handled
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> mileage portion of my travel voucher?
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> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> > 4 PM EST is fine with me, if it works for Job.
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> > > How will you be getting it to us? Will it be
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> > > can we set up a call for some time in the next
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> > days? Thanks.
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> > > To: [REDACTED]
> > > Cc: [REDACTED]
> > > Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2006 9:35 AM
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06/14/2006 10:46 PM

To "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED] psims@eac.gov
cc

Subject Re: teleconference

Could you do Friday in the morning?

----- Original Message -----

From: "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

To: [REDACTED]; <psims@eac.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 10:17 PM

Subject: Re: teleconference

> Tova:

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> 5 pm EST is 4 pm Central. Peg would have to call at 7
> pm EST to be 6 pm Central.

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> Job

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> -- [REDACTED] wrote:

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>> Let's try to do that. Peg, you will call us 5 pm
>> EST?

>> ----- Original Message -----

>> From: "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

>> To: "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

>> Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 6:29 PM

>> Subject: Re: teleconference

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>> > Wednesday next week? It would have to be 6 pm.

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>> > --- Tova Wang [REDACTED] wrote:

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>> >> Hi Job,

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>> >> Peg tells me that we should now be getting the

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>> >> transcript early next week.
>> >> Regardless, we should talk about the organization
>> >> and distribution of work
>> >> on the final report and try to finally get it
>> done.
>> >> Would it be possible
>> >> for you to do a call before you leave for work in
>> >> the morning, say 8 am your
>> >> time, on Wednesday? If not, could you do 6 pm
>> your
>> >> time on Wednesday?
>> >> Thanks.
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>> >> Tova
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>> >> Tova Andrea Wang
>> >> Democracy Fellow
>> >> The Century Foundation
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"Job Serebrov"

[REDACTED]

06/08/2006 01:10 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

cc: [REDACTED]

Subject Re: Transcript & Teleconference

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"Tova Wang"

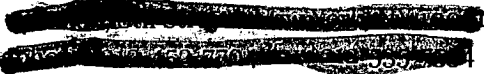

06/09/2006 01:56 PM


To psims@eac.gov
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Subject travel

Hi again,

I just got the bill from our car service from the trip last month. Can I still send it to you? Do I need a cover note? Thanks. Tova

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
06/08/2006 05:09 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

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Subject Re: Transcript & Teleconference 

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What time do you arrive home from work? Perhaps we could talk then?

Re your question on the mileage, I have approached our Financial Officer with a request that you receive full reimbursement on the grounds that your actual total travel costs are less than the estimated total travel costs if you had flown to DC, stayed in our more expensive hotels, and received the higher per diem for 3 days (instead of 1). I have not yet received a response from her and she has been out of the office much of this week, so I don't know what she decided to do. --- Peggy

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> >> Hi, Whats going on? I have not received
> responses from either one of
> > you
> >> in a week. I'd like to wrap this up in the next
> two weeks if we can.
> Did
> >> you get my recommendations? Thanks.
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> >> Tova
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----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----



"Tova Wang"

To psims@eac.gov

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06/09/2006 09:20 AM

cc

Subject FW: Transcript & Teleconference

-----Original Message-----

From: Job Serebrov [mailto: [REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, June 09, 2006 8:17 AM
To: Tova Wang
Subject: RE: Transcript & Teleconference

Normally I am not home for lunch.

--- Tova Wang [REDACTED] wrote:

> What about during a lunch hour?
>
> -----Original Message-----
> From: Job Serebrov [mailto: [REDACTED]]
> Sent: Thursday, June 08, 2006 9:42 PM
> To: psims@eac.gov; [REDACTED]
> Subject: Re: Transcript & Teleconference
>
>
> Peggy:
>
> I can't predict when I get home but it is between
> 5:30
> and 6:30 my time. I know that is generally too late
> to
> have a teleconference.
>
> I plan to review Tova's recommendations this weekend
> and work on my own as well as expanding the
> explanation of the case section.
>
> Please see what your financial officer did with
> regards to my travel.
>
> Thank you,
>
> Job
>
> --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
>
> > What time do you arrive home from work? Perhaps
> we
> > could talk then?
> >
> > Re your question on the mileage, I have approached
> > our Financial Officer
> > with a request that you receive full reimbursement
> > on the grounds that
> > your actual total travel costs are less than the
> > estimated total travel

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> > costs if you had flown to DC, stayed in our more
> > expensive hotels, and
> > received the higher per diem for 3 days (instead
> of
> > 1). I have not yet
> > received a response from her and she has been out
> of
> > the office much of
> > this week, so I don't know what she decided to do.
> > --- Peggy
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> >
> > "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> > 06/08/2006 01:10 PM
> >
> > To
> > psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]
> > cc
> > [REDACTED]
> > Subject
> > Re: Transcript & Teleconference
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> > Peg:
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> > I just arrived home for lunch. I can no longer
> take
> > time during the work day for telephone
> conferences.
> > As
> > I told you I will need to finish this project
> after
> > daily working hours. I am still getting things
> done
> > from being out for ten days. I will review Tova's
> recommendations and
> > expand on mine this weekend.
> >
> > Also, I sent you an e-mail asking how you handled
> > the
> > mileage portion of my travel voucher?
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> > Job
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> > --- psims@eac.gov wrote:
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> > > 4 PM EST is fine with me, if it works for Job.
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> > > Peggy
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voter registration fraud nexischartFORMAT.xls I don't know how we might be able to use these but here, finally, are the super-refined versions of the nexis charts. Can we include them? Thanks. Tova

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----



"Tova Wang"

[REDACTED]
06/19/2006 01:53 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject RE: voucher

Thats a first! Thanks -- I'll fax and send. Tova

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

Sent: Monday, June 19, 2006 12:24 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: Re: voucher

Looks good to me! --- Peggy

"Tova Wang"

06/19/2006 08:40 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject voucher

Hi Peg,

Attached is my voucher for the last month -- can you check it quickly before I send it? Also, are we good for Wednesday at 7? Thanks. Tova

Tova Andrea Wang
Democracy Fellow
The Century Foundation

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

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06/15/2006 03:30 PM

To "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED], psims@eac.gov
cc

Subject Re: teleconference

fine

----- Original Message -----

From: "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

To: [REDACTED] <psims@eac.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 10:17 PM

Subject: Re: teleconference

> Tova:

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> 5 pm EST is 4 pm Central. Peg would have to call at 7
> pm EST to be 6 pm Central.

>

> Job

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> --- [REDACTED] wrote:

>

>> Let's try to do that. Peg, you will call us 5 pm
>> EST?

>> ----- Original Message -----

>> From: "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

>> To: "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

>> Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 6:29 PM

>> Subject: Re: teleconference

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>> > Wednesday next week? It would have to be 6 pm.

>> >

>> > --- Tova Wang [REDACTED] wrote:

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>> >> Hi Job,

>> >>

>> >> Peg tells me that we should now be getting the
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>> >> and distribution of work

>> >> on the final report and try to finally get it
>> >> done.

>> >> Would it be possible

>> >> for you to do a call before you leave for work in
>> >> the morning, say 8 am your

>> >> time, on Wednesday? If not, could you do 6 pm
>> >> your

>> >> time on Wednesday?

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>> >> Thanks.
>> >>
>> >> Tova
>> >>
>> >> Tova Andrea Wang
>> >> Democracy Fellow
>> >> The Century Foundation
>> >> [REDACTED]
>> >> [REDACTED]
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>> >> Visit our Web site, [REDACTED] >
>> >> [REDACTED] for the latest news,
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/19/2006 01:24 PM

To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

cc

Subject Re: voucher [REDACTED]

Looks good to me! --- Peggy

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]



"Tova Wang"

06/19/2006 08:40 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject voucher

Hi Peg,

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Tova Andrea Wang
Democracy Fellow
The Century Foundation

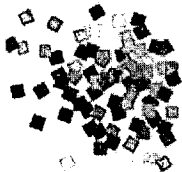
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Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV

06/22/2006 03:44 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc [REDACTED]

Subject Fw: May 18, 2006 Meeting

Good news!!! The transcript is finally here.

Devon Romig
United States Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Ave. NW, Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
202.566.2377 phone
202.566.3128 fax
www.eac.gov

----- Forwarded by Devon E. Romig/EAC/GOV on 06/22/2006 03:44 PM -----



"Carol J. Thomas Reporting"

[REDACTED]

06/22/2006 03:24 PM

To dromig@eac.gov

cc jwilson@eac.gov

Subject May 18, 2006 Meeting

Dear EAC,

Attached please note the ASCII file for the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Meeting taken on Wednesday, May 18, 2006. Your transcript has been shipped to you.

ASCII file name: 051806.txt

Please let us know if you have any questions.



051806.TXT Timothy Brischler, Office Manager, 703.273.9221

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----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/19/2006 04:28 PM

To Job Serebrov

cc

Subject Travel Reimbursement

I have been told that GSA expects to make the disbursement next week, probably on or around June 28.

--- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----

Bryan Whitener/EAC/GOV

06/15/2006 05:01 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC, Juliet E.
Thompson-Hodgkins/EAC/GOV@EAC, Gavin S.
Gilmour/EAC/GOV@EAC

cc

Subject Fw: The 7th Edition!

Here's an update from Craig on his Election Crimes book. The last was published in 1995.

----- Forwarded by Bryan Whitener/EAC/GOV on 06/15/2006 08:38 AM -----



"Donsanto, Craig"

<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov

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To bwhitener@eac.gov

cc

06/13/2006 08:04 PM

Subject The 7th Edition!

It is written and currently in the Deputy AG's office for policy review.

I have published the two most substantive chapters of the new book as private, personal papers under the aegis of the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES), for which I have done a lot of work around the world. I recommend that you access IFES' website and go to the "Money and Politics" part of their extensive site. I should have two papers available there, one addressing Abuse of the Franchise (published in connection with work I did last year in Liberia) and the other involving Federal Campaign Finance Xrime" done in connection with work in Bosnia.

If you can't find them this way, please call me: 202-514-1421.

Sent from Dr. D's Fabulous BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----



"Job Serebrov"

06/21/2006 06:21 PM

To psims@eac.gov, "Tova Andrea Wang"

cc

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Subject Re: Teleconference

It will need to be early next week. What news of the transcript?

--- psims@eac.gov wrote:

>
> I am sorry, but I have to postpone the
> teleconference originally scheduled
> for this evening. Is another day this week or early
> next week good for you
> two?
> Peggy
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> -----
> Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld
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>

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06/22/2006 10:29 AM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject

Can I also get an answer on whether we can speak about the project publicly?

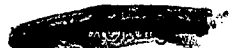
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/19/2006 12:19 PM

To [REDACTED]
cc "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
Subject Re: teleconference [REDACTED]

OK. I have marked my calendar for a 7 PM EST/6 PM CST teleconference for this Wednesday. Still no transcript. --- Peggy



To "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED] psims@eac.gov

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06/15/2006 03:30 PM

cc

Subject Re: teleconference

fine

----- Original Message -----

From: "Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]>

To: <[REDACTED]>; <psims@eac.gov>

Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 10:17 PM

Subject: Re: teleconference

> Tova:

>

> 5 pm EST is 4 pm Central. Peg would have to call at 7
> pm EST to be 6 pm Central.

>

> Job

>

> --- [REDACTED] wrote:

>

>> Let's try to do that. Peg, you will call us 5 pm
>> EST?

>> ----- Original Message -----

>> From: "Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]>

>> To: "Tova Wang" <[REDACTED]>

>> Sent: Wednesday, June 14, 2006 6:29 PM

>> Subject: Re: teleconference

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>>

>> > Wednesday next week? It would have to be 6 pm.

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>> > --- Tova Wang <[REDACTED]> wrote:

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>> >> for you to do a call before you leave for work in
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>> >> time, on Wednesday? If not, could you do 6 pm
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>> >> time on Wednesday?

>> >> Thanks.

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>> >> Tova

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>> >> Tova Andrea Wang

>> >> Democracy Fellow

>> >> The Century Foundation

>> >> [REDACTED]

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/19/2006 02:28 PM

To Diana Scott

cc Bola Olu/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject Travel Reimbursement for Serebrov

Would it be possible to find out how fast GSA will be able to process the travel reimbursement for Job Serebrov? --- Peggy

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----



"Job Serebrov"

[REDACTED]
06/18/2006 12:31 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject pay/travel

Peggy:

I need you to check on Monday to see when I will get my last invoice paid as well as my travel which was going to be expedited.

Are we still talking on Wednesday at 7 EST?

Thanks,

Job

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/19/2006 02:12 PM

To "Job Serebrov"

cc

Subject Re: pay/travel

Your personal services invoice should be paid this week (Thursday or Friday). The payment of travel costs will take longer. I'll check with Finance to see if we can get an estimated date from GSA. --- Peggy

"Job Serebrov"



"Job Serebrov"

06/18/2006 12:31 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject pay/travel

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Thanks,

Job

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"Simmons, Nancy"

<Nancy.Simmons@usdoj.gov>

>

06/20/2006 06:52 PM

To aambrogi@eac.gov

cc psims@eac.gov, "Donsanto, Craig"

<Craig.Donsanto@usdoj.gov>

Subject list of state election crimes

Adam, Craig thought you were looking for a list of federal statutes, which are discussed in our election fraud manual. We don't have lists of state election crimes. Craig suggests that you contact Peggy Sims at the EAC - she's a wonderful resource, and I'm including her in my reply. Good luck.

Nancy

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Diana Scott/EAC/GOV

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06/19/2006 03:19 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc Bola Olu/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Re: Travel Reimbursement for Serebrov

Peggy--We sent the request to the Finance Center on 6/13. Finance quotes a 2 week turnaround.

Diana M. Scott
Administrative Officer
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
(202) 566-3100 (office)
(202) 566-3127 (fax)
dscott@eac.gov

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
06/19/2006 02:28 PM

To DScott@eac.gov
cc Bola Olu/EAC/GOV@EAC
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
06/22/2006 10:30 AM

To "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED], "Tova Andrea Wang" [REDACTED]
cc [REDACTED]
Subject Re: Teleconference

OK. Next Monday (6-26) at 7 PM EST. I'll call you.
Peggy

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----
From: "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
Sent: 06/21/2006 09:34 PM

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To: [REDACTED], psims@eac.gov
Subject: Re: Teleconference

Monday at 7 EST is ok with me. What about you Peg?

Job

--- wang@tcf.org wrote:

> How about Monday at 6:30 or 7 est?
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: "Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]>
> To: <psims@eac.gov>; "Iova Andrea Wang"
> [REDACTED]
> Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2006 6:21 PM
> Subject: Re: Teleconference
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>
> > It will need to be early next week. What news of
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV
06/19/2006 12:30 PM

To Bryan Whitener/EAC/GOV
cc Gavin S. Gilmour/EAC/GOV@EAC, Juliet E.
Thompson-Hodgkins/EAC/GOV@EAC
Subject Re: Fw: The 7th Edition! [REDACTED]

I have a copy of Donsanto's IFES paper, if you need it. We used it as one of the resources for the vote fraud-voter intimidation research. --- Peggy

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Bryan Whitener/EAC/GOV

Bryan Whitener/EAC/GOV

06/15/2006 05:01 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC, Juliet E.
Thompson-Hodgkins/EAC/GOV@EAC, Gavin S.
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"Tova Wang"

06/21/2006 12:25 PM

To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov"

cc

Subject RE: Teleconference

Anyday anytime except tomorrow is OK by me. Tova

-----Original Message-----

From: psims@eac.gov [mailto:psims@eac.gov]

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Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2006 11:15 AM
To: Tova Andrea Wang; Job Serebrov
Subject: Teleconference

I am sorry, but I have to postpone the teleconference originally scheduled for this evening. Is another day this week or early next week good for you two? Peggy

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----



"Job Serebrov"

06/22/2006 09:27 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Suggestions



RECOMMENDATIONS.doc Peggy:

When Tova sent me her suggestions I made some changes and additions. Tova later wrote to me and said she expected me to come up with my own list. Due to time constraints and at risk of duplication I rather go with the corrected suggestions.

Job

----- Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:18 PM -----



"Job Serebrov"

06/21/2006 06:25 PM

To "Tova Wang" psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: nexis

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> Tova
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/22/2006 10:31 AM

To "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED], "Tova Andrea Wang" [REDACTED]

cc

Subject Re: nexis

Fine by me.
Peggy

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

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"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

06/20/2006 11:10 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject question

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Am I correct in assuming that I still cannot discuss the findings of our report? Thanks.

Tova Andrea Wang
Democracy Fellow
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"Job Serebrov"

06/30/2006 10:02 PM

To [REDACTED] psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Re: Various

For Donsanto to be able to do this, we would need enough time and money to contact all interviewees and also permit comment from them. However, in this matter I am 100% in agreement with Tova.

--- [REDACTED] wrote:

> Also, I maintain that a reasonable solution to this
> is to allow Donsanto
> and/or any of the commissioners who desire to do so
> to provide a statement
> that would be included in the report and in the
> record.

> ----- Original Message -----

> From: <wang@tcf.org>

> To: <psims@eac.gov>; "Job Serebrov"

> [REDACTED] <[REDACTED]>

> Cc: "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

> Sent: Friday, June 30, 2006 9:42 PM

> Subject: Re: Various

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> > That would be great on the contract.

> >

> > If the interview is "edited" as you put it, I will
> be very, very

> > uncomfortable, as I believe Job would be as well.

> I know you don't want

> > to spend anymore time on this, but I consider it a
> rather important issue,

> > and I think Job does too. I would be happy to

> talk to you and Tom and any

> > of the commissioners about this further if that

> would be helpful. I am

> > available by cell over the next four days and in

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> the office all next week.
> >
> > Thanks for the updated invoice stuff. Happy 4th.
> >
> > Tova
> > ----- Original Message -----
> > From: <psims@eac.gov>
> > To: "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
> > Cc: "Tova Andrea Wang" [REDACTED]
> > Sent: Friday, June 30, 2006 6:41 PM
> > Subject: Re: Various
> >
> >
> >> Actually, the Donsanto interview was the only one
> > I did attend, but I
> >> agree the issue is taking up too much of your
> > time. I just wanted you to
> >> be forewarned that the paragraph has already
> > raised red flags in DC of and
> >> is likely to result in an edit. Enough said
> > about that.
> >>
> >> I am concerned about the number of hours left for
> > this project. If you
> >> and Tova both agree, I'll see if our Contracting
> > Officer will approve a
> >> contract mod to provide for some additional hours
> > and money to
> >> incorporate comments received on the report and
> > other efforts that fall
> >> within the tasks specified in the current
> > contract. We won't get 60
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/27/2006 02:47 PM

To Jeannie Layson/EAC/GOV

cc

Subject Re: U.S. News & World Report 

Here it is. --- Peg



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Jeannie Layson/EAC/GOV

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06/27/2006 01:12 PM

To Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV@EAC
cc
Subject Re: U.S. News & World Report

Peg,
Would you please send me the document regarding this project that was submitted to the Standards Bd?

Jeannie Layson
U.S. Election Assistance Commission
1225 New York Ave., NW
Suite 1100
Washington, DC 20005
Phone: 202-566-3100
www.eac.gov

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"Tova Wang"

06/28/2006 04:37 PM

To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov"
cc
Subject methodology

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06/30/2006 05:31 PM

To Job Serebrov
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Subject Contract Hours & Payments for Services

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"Tova Wang"

06/27/2006 12:48 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject invoice

Hi Peg,

What is the current invoice schedule? Thanks.

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"Tova Wang"

06/29/2006 12:07 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject FW: methodology

Will it be possible for you to extract the excerpt for inclusion in the report? Thanks.

-----Original Message-----

From: Job Serebrov [mailto:
Sent: Wednesday, June 28, 2006 5:40 PM
To: Tova Wang; psims@eac.gov
Subject: Re: methodology

Agreed

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"Job Serebrov"

[REDACTED]@serebrov.net

07/02/2006 10:28 AM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject Please Change This

Peggy:

In the transcript, there is one serious mistake that must be changed immediately. On page 5 it indicates that I helped review and draft changes to the election code of Libya. It should be Namibia not Libya. The reason this is so serious if it stands is that at the time I reviewed Namibia's Code it was illegal for Americans to deal with Libya. I need to know that this has been corrected any ALL parties who have seen the transcript notified.

Job

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/27/2006 12:12 PM

To Jeannie Layson/EAC/GOV

cc twilkey@eac.gov, Karen Lynn-Dyson/EAC/GOV@EAC

Subject U.S. News & World Report

Jeannie

We suspect that someone from the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Project Working Group has been talking to reporters, tipping them off about what we are finding in our preliminary study, and referring them to our consultants (although the information could have come from anyone on the EAC boards, too). Apparently, the U.S. News & World Report reporter who contacted me also contacted both consultants working on the project.

Based on my recommendation, Tova Wang and, possibly, Job Serebrov, who are on EAC personal services contracts for our voting fraud and voter intimidation research, will seek further clarification from you about what they can and cannot say to reporters and in public fora about vote fraud and voter intimidation and about EAC's research. I have previously advised Tova and Job not to discuss the work they are doing for us as this is EAC research, the Commissioners have not yet received and accepted the final report, and the Commission has not approved their speaking about the EAC research.

Tova plans to call you tomorrow (Tuesday, June 27) about the issue. In addition to the reporter's inquiry, she has been invited to speak on the subject at the summer conference of the National Association of State Legislatures. She has plenty of knowledge of the subject in her own right (apart from our study), but is having trouble differentiating between her own work and the work she is doing for us. Please, just let me know what you advise her to do.

--- Peggy

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"Tova Wang"

06/27/2006 12:26 PM

To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov"

cc

Subject outline of final report

Does this work for you?

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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/30/2006 05:27 PM

To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

cc [REDACTED]

Subject Re: invoice [REDACTED]

Attached is an updated schedule showing 2 more invoice periods. I'll send separate spreadsheets to you and Job showing what funds and hours have been used and what are available. --- Peggy



FY06 Contracts Invoice Schedule.xls

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]



"Tova Wang"

06/27/2006 12:48 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc

Subject invoice

Hi Peg,

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Tova Andrea Wang

Democracy Fellow

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"Job Serebroy"

[REDACTED]

06/30/2006 10:01 PM

To [REDACTED] psims@eac.gov

cc "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

Subject Re: Various

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I would make time to discuss this. I feel that any edit would be wrong while a comment at the end of the interview by the Commission would not be. But in this case, two of us remember it one way and one the other way.

--- [REDACTED] wrote:

> That would be great on the contract.
>
> If the interview is "edited" as you put it, I will
> be very, very
> uncomfortable, as I believe Job would be as well. I
> know you don't want to
> spend anymore time on this, but I consider it a
> rather important issue, and
> I think Job does too. I would be happy to talk to
> you and Tom and any of
> the commissioners about this further if that would
> be helpful. I am
> available by cell over the next four days and in the
> office all next week.
>
> Thanks for the updated invoice stuff. Happy 4th.
>
> Tova
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: <psims@eac.gov>
> To: "Job Serebrov" <[REDACTED]>
> Cc: "Tova Andrea Wang" <[REDACTED]>
> Sent: Friday, June 30, 2006 6:41 PM
> Subject: Re: Various
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> I did attend, but I
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Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV

06/27/2006 04:13 PM

To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]
cc "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
Subject Re: outline of final report [REDACTED]

I'll need to get back to you on this and the definition tomorrow (too many things going on today). In the meantime, I have attached the written status report that was presented to the EAC Standards Board and Board of Advisors, because I can't remember if I ever provided the final version to the two of you. The status report is primarily made up of your preliminary reports, with some intro information provided and a brief summary of recommendations discussed at the Working Group meeting. This may or may not help the two of you in preparing the final. You can use any of it, or none of it. I am sure that your product will be much better than this quickly pulled together thing. --- Peggy



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"Tova Wang" <[REDACTED]>



"Tova Wang"

06/27/2006 12:26 PM

To psims@eac.gov, "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
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"Job Serebrov"

06/29/2006 07:58 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc
Subject Travel Pay

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Peg:

So far no travel pay. Tova got hers a couple of days ago. Please call and check. I need it.

Thanks,

Job

— Forwarded by Margaret Sims/EAC/GOV on 04/30/2007 04:17 PM —



"Tova Wang"

06/29/2006 01:24 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [REDACTED]

cc twilkey@eac.gov

Subject RE: donsanto interview

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Tova

-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Thursday, June 29, 2006 12:00 PM

To: [REDACTED]

Cc: twilkey@eac.gov

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Tova and Job:

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I hope you will reconsider revising the paragraph at issue.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist
U.S. Election Assistance Commission

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]

06/28/2006 04:47 PM

To psims@eac.gov
CC "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]
Subject donsanto interview

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To "Tova Wang" <[REDACTED]>

cc, [REDACTED] twilkey@eac.gov

Subject RE: donsanto interview [REDACTED]

I don't think anyone disagrees that DOJ's earlier policy was to prosecute organized conspiracies, not individual violators. This policy was based both on existing law and resources available. Donsanto made that clear in numerous presentations before election officials, though I doubt he would have highlighted the resource issue in any of his written reports.

I did *not* hear Donsanto say that there was a shift in resources and energy *away from* prosecuting organized conspiracies in order to pursue prosecutions of individuals. I think we should avoid implying that this is the case. I understood his statement to address a shift in DOJ resources and energy to support increased efforts to prosecute election crimes, including the expansion of prosecutions to include individual incidents. I have not seen, nor do I think Donsanto has ever stated, that there has been a decrease in the effort to prosecute organized conspiracies to corrupt the process. Yet, adequate resources continue to be an issue, as Donsanto noted in his interview and at the Working Group meeting (when referring to having to decide which of two voter suppression cases to prosecute because he didn't have the resources to do both).

Your reference to policy based on law reminded me that changes in federal law, and an evolution in the understanding of how to use newer law, also would have affected DOJ's decision to add the prosecution of individuals for such violations as registering and voting when not a U.S. citizen or when a convicted felon. Earlier federal law did not directly address voter registration by felons, permitting *federal* prosecution in such instances only where it could be shown that the applicant *knowingly and willfully*

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provided false information as to his or her eligibility to vote. Earlier federal law permitted the prosecution of noncitizens for registering to vote based on false claims of the U.S. citizenship that each State required for registering to vote in federal elections, but did not require U.S. citizenship to vote in federal elections. These laws made *federal* prosecution of noncitizen and felon voter registration and voting much more challenging. With the implementation of the NVRA in 1995, we began to see federal election law that could more easily be used for federal prosecution of both voter registration and voting by noncitizens and convicted felons. And, late in 1996, immigration reform legislation was passed that clearly prohibits noncitizens from voting in federal elections (without requiring the "knowing and willful" component).

--- Peggy

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]



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06/28/2006 04:47 PM

To psims@eac.gov

cc "Job Serebrov" [REDACTED]

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06/30/2006 06:19 PM

To "Job Serebrov" [\[redacted\]](#)

cc

Subject Re: Various

Not yet. The problem is that so many folks seem to be off for a long 4th of

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July weekend.

Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld

----- Original Message -----

From: "Job Serebrov" [redacted]
Sent: 06/30/2006 05:58 PM
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Job

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"Job Serebrov" [redacted]

06/30/2006 07:10 PM

To psims@eac.gov, [redacted]

cc

Subject Re: Various

Peg:

Its ok with me as long as we finish before the end of November.

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Job

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> interviewed, outside of our interview with that
> person. We simply can't afford to single out one
> statement in one interview that there is a
> disagreement on. Finally, I don't read the paragraph

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> as you do---I remember what was said---the paragraph
> clearly does not imply an abandonment of other DOJ
> electoral investigations.
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06/26/2006 04:38 PM

To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED]
cc dromig@eac.gov, [REDACTED]
Subject RE: May 18, 2006 Meeting [REDACTED]

I wasn't planning on circulating the transcript to the Commissioners. Most of them probably don't have the time to go through the whole thing. I will let them know it is available, if they are interested in reviewing it.
--- Peggy

"Tova Wang" [REDACTED]



"Tova Wang"

[REDACTED]
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To dromig@eac.gov, psims@eac.gov
cc [REDACTED]
Subject RE: May 18, 2006 Meeting

Wow, there are a lot of errors in this. But at least it gets at the substance. Will this be circulated to the commissioners?

-----Original Message-----

From: dromig@eac.gov [mailto:dromig@eac.gov]

Sent: Thursday, June 22, 2006 2:45 PM

To: psims@eac.gov

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: Fw: May 18, 2006 Meeting

Good news!!! The transcript is finally here.

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To dromig@eac.gov
cc jwilson@eac.gov
Subject May 18, 2006 Meeting

Dear EAC,

Attached please note the ASCII file for the Voting Fraud-Voter Intimidation Meeting taken on Wednesday, May 18, 2006. Your transcript has been shipped to you.

ASCII file name: 051806.txt

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Timothy Brischler, Office Manager, 703.273.9221

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"Job Serebrov"

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To [REDACTED]@marg.sims@eac.gov
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Subject Re: definition

I am ok with it.

--- Tova Wang, [REDACTED] wrote:

> Is this OK now?

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> Tova Andrea Wang

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Subject: Methodology for Cases



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To: Jeannie Layson/EAC/GOV

cc

Subject: Re: US News & World Report inquiry

Jeannie:

Here are my responses:

1. When will EAC receive the preliminary report on voter intimidation and voting fraud?

I anticipate that we will have a draft final report from our consultants in 2-3 weeks, after our consultants have had time to review the transcript from the project Working Group meeting, which was not available until last week.

2. When we receive the preliminary report, what is the EAC process to formulate a final product that will be made public?

First, Commissioners and Commission staff will have to review the preliminary draft. Then a draft will be submitted to the EAC Standards Board and EAC Advisory Board for review and comment. This second step is taken in accordance with HAVA §247, which requires EAC to carry out its duties under Title II, Subtitle C (Studies and Other Activities to Promote Effective Administration of Federal Elections) in consultation with the Standards Board and the Board of Advisors.

3. When will we make this research available to the public? What form will it be in? (Best practices, etc.)

The final report cannot be made public until it has been accepted by the Commissioners. Normally, this does not happen until the researcher(s) submit a final report that has been revised to address clarifications and corrections deemed necessary through the review process described above. The time it takes for the researchers to produce this final report will depend, somewhat, on the number of clarifications and corrections deemed necessary.

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As the researchers were charged with conducting preliminary background research on voting fraud and voter intimidation in the U.S., this report will not include recommended best practices. It will summarize the preliminary research as well as the deliberations of our project Working Group. It also will include recommendations for future EAC activity related to the development of: (1) methods of identifying, deterring, and investigating voting fraud and voter intimidation; and (2) nationwide statistics on voting fraud.

If the reporter has spoken to Secretary Rokita, who maintains that EAC has no authority to conduct this research, you may want to note that EAC initiated this preliminary research on voting fraud and voter intimidation in accordance with the Help America Vote Act, (HAVA) §241, which requires EAC to conduct research on election administration issues, including the development of:

- nationwide statistics and methods of identifying, deterring, and investigating voting fraud in elections for Federal office [§241(b)(6)]; and
- ways of identifying, deterring, and investigating methods of voter intimidation [§241(b)(7)].

At its 2005 meeting, EAC's Board of Advisors recommended that the agency make research on these matters a high priority.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist
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06/27/2006 02:26 PM

To psims@eac.gov, twilkey@eac.gov

cc

Subject US News & World Report inquiry

Please provide answers to the following questions, posed to me by US News & World Report's Scott Michels. I need this info by the end of the day to meet his deadline.

1. When will EAC receive the preliminary report on voter intimidation and voting fraud?
2. When we receive the preliminary report, what is the EAC process to formulate a final product that will be made public?
3. When will we make this research available to the public? What form will it be in? (Best practices, etc.)

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"Tova Wang"

06/28/2006 04:47 PM

To psims@eac.gov
cc "Job Serebrov" [redacted]
Subject donsanto interview

Hi Peg,

Job and I have discussed this matter and agree on our response to it.

Presumably the paragraph you are concerned about is the following:

Since 2002, the department has brought more cases against alien voters, felon voters, and double voters than ever before. Previously, cases were only brought when there was a pattern or scheme to corrupt the process. Charges were not brought against individuals – those cases went un-prosecuted. This change in direction, focus, and level of aggression was by the decision of the Attorney General. The reason for the change was for deterrence purposes.

Neither of us thinks this passage says that the Department has stopped pursuing patterns, as you suggested, and we maintain that this is what Mr. Donsanto said to us in the interview. If Mr. Donsanto wants to object, perhaps he can write a letter or something to that effect that could be part of the record.

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To "Tova Wang" [REDACTED] Job
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cc twilkey@eac.gov

Subject Re: donsanto interview [REDACTED]

Tova and Job:

All I can do is advise you that I don't think this paragraph will pass by the Commission, as written, because readers can misinterpret what is being reported and use something published by EAC against DOJ. I suspect that both of you are aware of legal action being taken by an advocacy group against DOJ alleging that the agency is acting in a manner that fails to protect, and even discourages, the voter participation of minorities and disadvantaged individuals. Though I do not intend to address the merits of that action, which focuses on the efforts of more than one DOJ office, I am concerned that some readers would use the sentence that begins with "This change in direction, focus, and level of aggression ..." as evidence that DOJ's Election Crimes Branch has completely changed course to focus on aggressively pursuing individuals who vote when ineligible, many of whom are minorities.

It is true that, for years, the Election Crimes Branch did not pursue individual violators. (I certainly observed this from the time I became involved in researching election administration matters in 1986.) Much of the reason for this is that the agency just did not have the resources to pursue everything; so, as the agency budget permitted, DOJ pursued cases that provided the most bang for the buck --- cases involving multiple individuals that were not already being pursued by State or local public attorneys. As you know, DOJ recently expanded its efforts and added the prosecution of individuals for double voting or voting when ineligible (felony convictions or no U.S. citizenship). Although I did not know of this decision prior to the interview, the action is not a complete surprise, given the increasing pressure on the agency to pursue such cases that began with a real squeaker of a 1996 race in California's 46th CD (Orange County). In the interview with you, Donsanto also stated that the department evaluates each case before pursuing it, and does not pursue every individual referred for voting violations. (You may remember he noted his reluctance to pursue noncitizen voting, which can result in deportation, when it could separate the individual from his family.)

In my opinion, the addition of the prosecution of individuals, while an important new development, is not a complete change in direction or focus. The pursuit of individual violators does not supplant DOJ's continuing efforts to pursue organized schemes to corrupt the process. It is part of a recent expansion of the agency's efforts to combat election crime that includes: (1) more aggressive pursuit of criminal campaign finance violations (not covered by EAC's study); (2) exploration of new avenues to prosecute voter suppression schemes (e.g., the NH phone bank blocking case); (3) better training of U.S. attorneys and FBI agents in the recognition, investigation and prosecution of election offenses; (4) efforts to improve

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coordination with state and local law enforcement agencies; and (5) press conferences and public announcements before federal elections to publicize how the public can report election crimes. Donsanto provided information on much of these efforts either during the interview or by supplying case lists and training information on the day of the interview.

I hope you will reconsider revising the paragraph at issue.

Peggy Sims
Election Research Specialist
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